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To: Local Agencies

IMPLEMENTATION OF CONTACT HOURS FOR RENEWAL OF CALIFORNIA UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK INSPECTOR INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL CERTIFICATION

The California Code of Regulations (CCR) requires local agency inspectors conducting underground storage tank (UST) inspections to have a current inspector certificate from the International Code Council (ICC). The ICC certification is only valid for 24 months after the date of issue. A local agency inspector then must renew the certification to continue to perform UST inspections. Specifically, § 2715 (j)(2) of Title 23, CCR states these individuals shall renew the California inspector certificate every 24 months, by either passing the ICC California UST Inspector exam or satisfying equivalent criteria as approved by the Division of Water Quality UST Program Manager.

The CUPA Forum Board, the UST Steering Committee and the State Water Resources Control Board strongly support continuing education as a means of professional development for UST Inspectors. The enclosed, *Implementation of Continuing Education Contact Hours for Renewal of California UST Inspector ICC Certification*, provides local agency inspectors with the method for "satisfying equivalent criteria" for renewal of the California UST Inspector ICC Certification, as approved by the Division of Water Quality UST Program Manager. The "CA UST Inspector Contact Hour Verification Form" has been enclosed for local UST inspectors to record and document proper training that qualifies as contact hours. Additionally, the *ICC California UST Inspector Application for Certification Renewal* has been enclosed as a courtesy for local agency inspectors, but can also be found at the ICC website www.iccsafe.org.

If you have questions regarding this document, please contact the UST Program at (916) 341-5775 or ust@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure 1: Implementation of Continuing Education Contact Hours for Renewal of
California UST Inspector ICC Certification

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